

Introduced by Senator Hollingsworth

January 24, 2006

An act to amend Section 3240.5 of the Fish and Game Code, relating to hunting.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1200, as introduced, Hollingsworth. Hunting: commercial hunting club licenses.

Existing law establishes the Department of Fish and Game in the Resources Agency. Existing law authorizes the department to regulate commercial hunting clubs, but exempts from the application of those provisions any hunting club or program licensed under other provisions of the Fish and Game Code and any person who receives less than \$50 per entrant to the club or an annual total of fees that is less than \$500.

Existing law specifically requires every person to whom these exemptions are not applicable, and who is in possession or control of property and imposes or collects a fee for the privilege of taking birds or mammals on that property, or who imposes or collects a fee for any type of entry or use permit that includes the privilege of taking birds or mammals on that property, to obtain a commercial hunting club license.

This bill would specify that, if the person who operates the commercial hunting club is a renter or lessee, that person and not the landowner shall obtain the license.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. Section 3240.5 of the Fish and Game Code is amended to read:

3240.5. ~~Every~~ (a) (1) A person in possession or control of property ~~who imposes or collects on or with respect to which a fee for the privilege of taking birds or mammals thereon is imposed or collected, or who imposes or collects on or with respect to which a fee for any type of entry or use permit which that includes the privilege of taking birds or mammals on the property is imposed or collected,~~ is maintaining a commercial hunting club if birds or mammals are taken on the property, and shall procure a “commercial hunting club license.”

(2) *If the person who operates the commercial hunting club is a renter or lessee, that person and not the landowner shall obtain the license.*

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(b) *This article does not apply to any hunting club or program licensed under other provisions of this code, or to any person who receives less than fifty dollars (\$50) per entrant and receives less than a total of five hundred dollars (\$500) between July 1 and the following June 30 for permission, entry, access, or use fees which that include the privilege of hunting on property in his or her possession or control.*